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Two charged in connection with Christmas Day murder of a neighborhood coach

PASADENA – A reputed gang member was charged today with capital murder in the Dec. 25 fatal shooting of a neighborhood athletics coach who was caught in the line of fire during a car-to-car shooting, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Larry Darnell Bishop Jr., 20 (dob 7-8-92), is charged in case GA088554 with one count of murder with the special circumstances of discharging a firearm from a motor vehicle and murder to further a criminal street gang. He's also charged with one count of attempted murder, two counts of shooting at an inhabited dwelling, and possession of a firearm by a felon, charges that include personal discharge of a handgun.

Deputy District Attorney Mark Inaba with the Hardcore Gang Division said that Bishop and a second suspect, Gary Aurthur (CQ) Davis, 20 (dob 3-13-92), who is charged in the same complaint as being an accessory after the fact, will make their first court appearance this afternoon at Los Angeles Superior Court in Pasadena, Department D.

Bishop is charged with fatally shooting Victor McClinton, 49, who was gunned down about 11 a.m. on Christmas Day at Newport Avenue and Wyoming Street in Pasadena. The father of two was walking a fellow coach to his car when he was fatally shot, authorities said.

Bishop is also charged with the attempted murder of a driver who crashed his vehicle into a light pole after he sustained a gunshot wound.

There is no evidence at this time that McClinton's fatal shooting is related to a brief high-speed car chase that killed two people in the same area hours later. Police are still investigating both incidents.

Prosecutors will decide later whether to seek the death penalty for Bishop, who was convicted of two felony commercial burglaries in San Bernardino County.